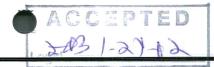
## Lacoste, David





From:

Gibson, Susan [Susan.Gibson@BellSouth.COM]

Sent:

Thursday, January 24, 2002 10:30 AM

To: Subject: Lacoste, David

FW: PSC Electronic CLEC Filing: ID=80089322



BELLSOUTH 1600 Williams Street, Suite 5200 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

January 24, 2002

Mr. David Lacoste Public Service Commission of SC Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Approval of the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and DIECA Communications, d/b/a Covad Communications Company and pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 Docket No. 2000-475-C

Dear Mr. Lacoste:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications are submitting to the South Carolina Public Service Commission their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Covad within 90 days of its submission. The Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties represent that neither of these reasons exists as to the agreement they have negotiated and that the Commission should approve their agreement.

The effective date of this agreement is December 19, 2001 and will expire December 18, 2004.

Very truly yours,

s/C. Lesley Addis

I:\Public\Utilities\Interconnection Agreements\BellSouth

CLA/sdq Enclosures